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2020 ushered in with Cheers & Prayers

Devotees line up in front of Sri Yoganarasimhaswamy Temple in Vijayanagar First Stage to offer prayers this morning.

Mysuru, Jan. 1 (MTY&BCT)- After partying hard all night at various watering holes in city, devotees thronged temples across the city from the early hours on the first day of the New Year (first day of the Decade) to offer prayers. Sanctum sanctorum of temples was opened as early as 5 am to enable the public to have darshan.

Special *Abhishekas* were performed to the presiding deities and thousands of devotees waited in long queues to have darshan since early morning. Long queues were also spotted in front of Churches. Masses were organised at many Churches where devotees prayed for a better year.

The Police who managed the New Year Eve crowds hardly had time to heave a sigh of relief as the celebrations passed off peacefully without any untoward incident except for minor scratches on vehicles due to accidents during revelry. Day one of the New Year turned out to be another stressful day at work for the city's Police wing as they had to regulate the milling crowds at Temples.

At Chamundeshwari Temple atop the Chamundi Hill, more than 15,000 devotees visited till 11.30 am. Visitors included locals, tourists and schoolchildren. Many tourists and schoolchildren, who had come from outstation destinations and who had planned their schedules, had to return from the Hill without having a darshan of the Goddess as the queue was long.

Similar scenes were witnessed at Tripurasundari Jwalamukhi Devi Temple at Uthanahalli where special pujas were conducted. Special *homas* and havans were performed at Amrutheswara Temple to ward off evil and any unforeseen misfortunes.

Thousands of devotees queued up at Yoganarasimhaswamy Temple at Vijayanagar braving cold. Special *pujas* began at the crack of dawn. Temple authorities distributed 2 lakh laddus to devotees specially prepared on the occasion. As many as 60 persons were designated to distribute laddus and *prasadam*.

Sri Lakshmivenkataramanaswamy Temple at Vontikoppal, Chandramouleshwara Temple near Mathrumandali Circle, Raghavendraswamy Temple at Jayalakshmipuram, Durgammadevi Temple near Ittigegud, 101 Ganapathy Temple at Agrahara, Ganapathi Temples at Paduvarahalli, Gokulam Aralimara and High-Tension Road in Vijayanagar, Chamundeshwari Temple at Surya Bakery Circle in Mahadeshwara Layout and Annapoorneshwari Temple at Hebbal also witnessed huge rush.

Devotees also thronged Lord Srikanteshwara Temple in Nanjangud, Sriranganathaswamy Temple at Srirangapatna, Anjaneyaswamy and Ganapathi Temples near Mysore Palace North Gate, Trinayaneshwara Temple inside Palace campus, Nazarbad Mahadeshwara Temple, Kurubarahalli Bannimahakali Temple, Bandanthamma Temple in Kuvempunagar and Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama.

City guzzles Rs. 8 crore worth liquor in 2 days

Mysuru, Jan. 1 (RK,SD&BCT)- Despite economic downturn, devotees of Bacchus (Roman God of wine) continued to splurge on liquor during the last days of 2019, resulting in unprecedented revenue for the State Excise Department. The Department is expected to end the year on an all-time high with liquor sales reaching Rs. 600 crore in the last ten days.

In Mysuru district too, New Year has begun well for liquor sellers (including wholesale and retail) as sales figures of the last two days is expected to touch Rs. 8 crore mark. The sales have witnessed a sharp increase on Dec. 30 and Dec. 31 of 2019. If the sales of the last 10 days are taken into consideration, the figures are likely to cross the Rs. 8 crore mark.

Sales recorded at liquor outlets of Mysore Sales International Limited (it has exclusive rights to sell liquor supplied from the Government) in Hebbal and Bannimantap extension in city is about 38,000 cases of Indian-Made Foreign Liquor (IMFL) and 18,000 cases of beer on Dec. 30 and Dec. 31, according to Excise Department sources.

In December 2018, 19,000 cases of IMFL and 6,142 cases of beer were sold. Yesterday alone, 16,000 cases of IMFL and 6,994 cases of beer were lifted from various outlets. The figures, however, does not include liquor consumed by people stocking up alcohol at homes or in hotels.

(See LIQUOR on page 4)

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TEASER By N. Prakash

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Mysuru, Wednesday 1st January 2020

Garrulous *garbage*

At a wedding event in a shrine the presiding priest called upon the guests who had come to bless the newly weds to proceed in a line to the altar for receiving bread and wine as a symbol of sacrament cautioning the congregation that only those who follow a particular faith were entitled to receive the sacrament. To ensure that everyone conformed to the custom, he sought to know the faith of the persons before the stage of bread-eating-wine-drinking. An elderly person, known for his large-hearted nature, when asked by the priest whether he belonged to the stipulation humbly replied that he was a *human being*, only to move away, thus mocking at the popular expression that all are *equal* in the territory of divinity. The above incident which took place some years ago in Mysuru serves to remind us that Indians in particular and human beings in general, unwittingly choose to identify themselves in a multitude of ways according to their religion, region, lingo, status in society, social identity hinting their distinction or otherwise such as urbanite, villager, tribal, slum-dweller, foreigner, officer and so on. To digress, even *garbage*, which is garbage by whichever way one looks at it, is identified by terms that are in common parlance nowadays, namely *wet, dry, biodegradable, hazardous, electronic, organic, recyclable* and so on, all cumulatively emerging as mountainous mass like in Mysuru leaving the administration aghast.

Granting that garbage is so inevitable that talking of *zero-garbage* is nothing short of utopia, the only option in dealing with the offending stuff seems to be giving up lifestyle based on materials such as plastic and electronic devices that garbage remains as *residue*, no matter what, how it is treated. Past generations, consciously or otherwise, have done it for centuries and therefore there is no reason to reject the option without facing the consequences.

While a part of the garbage mass that the administrations in cities of all dimensions are battling with some degree of success, the land seems to be hosting sections in its nearly 1.4 billion population hell-bent on bugging the rest by their unedifying conduct manifest in their words, deed and thought. Shouting provocative and abusive slogans in high-decibel voices, destroying public and private property, setting vehicles ablaze, creating obstruction to movement of people by staging road rage, defying the land's laws, using rhetoric to instigate the millennial becoming radicals, not choosing to debate for resolving issues related to periodic measures and policies of successive Governments and so on.

Not meaning to stereotype the land's people as bad apples in the fruit basket as it were and not intending to demean any Indian, likening the offending sections in the diaspora to garbage and portraying the tribe as *garrulous garbage* may not go well with that section, granting that their numerical strength although not overwhelming, the harm they are causing to the country and its law-abiding citizens is beyond words.

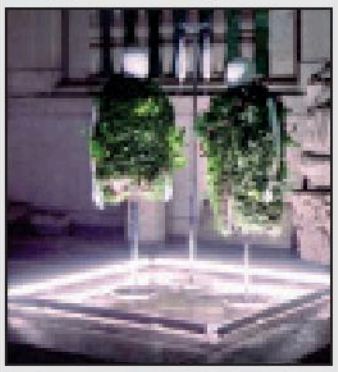
EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

West Bengal Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) President Dilip Ghosh stirred up yet another controversy after claiming that Indian cows produced gold when sunlight fell on their humps. And that was the reason the milk of Indian cows had a yellow tinge. Calling foreign bred-cows, or *videshi* cows, aunts, he said only Indian cows should be referred to as *matas*. As expected, his comments went viral in no time, drawing muck flak from social-media users. A bunch of them suggested, albeit in jest, that Ghosh should be made the next Finance Minister so that India could start producing gold from cow's milk, which would go a long way in solving the country's economic woes.

— In Business Standard

NEWS SPARKLERS

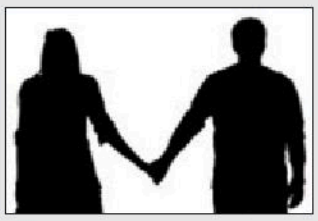
World's first wearable vegetable garden



California: Designer Aroussiak Gabrielian has created a wearable vegetable garden that can accommodate dozens of different crops fueled by the wearer's own urine.

Dubbed Posthuman Habitats, Gabrielian's project was inspired by the vertical, soilless gardens of French Botanist Patrick Blanc, and consists of a vest covered with a layer of moisture retention fabric onto which microgreens seeds are directly placed. Apparently it takes about two weeks for the germinated seeds to grow to a level where they can be harvested. And since plants need sustenance to grow, the wearable gardens use the wearer's urine as irrigation, after it's treated using a process called forward osmosis.

Son-in-law elopes with mother-in-law



Bhagalpur: A 23-year-old man eloped with his 35-year-old mother-in-law only months after his marriage with the woman's daughter. The mother-daughter duo belongs to Chhoti Dhankar village under the Sabour police station area in Bhagalpur district.

To escape social stigma, the man's father-in-law identified as Medi silently launched a search. As he failed to locate them, he on Friday petitioned the Bhagalpur SSP at his 'janata darbar', urging police to recover his wife, who is a mother of three, and take action against his son-in-law.

Medi's complaint alleged that his son-in-law Yogendra belonged to Gyanpur-Pujaou village in Etawah district of UP. His daughter Neha's marriage with Yogendra was solemnised a few months ago.

Neha was at her parental home in Bhagalpur in November when Yogendra came to his 'sasural' and eloped with her mother, the complaint said.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What are the worst calorie culprits?

1) Grain-based desserts, including donuts and pastries, top the list. 2) Bread - One slice of white-bread contains 79 calories. 3) Chicken skin - The skin of a chicken breast contain 82 calories. 4) Sweetened beverages - A 500-ML bottle of coke contains 210 calories. 5) Pizza - A slice of cheese pizza contains 272 calories.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Students sensitised on CMA course

Mysuru, Jan. 1- The Institute of Cost Accountants of India (ICAI), Mysuru Chapter, had organised an educative programme for the benefit of Commerce students at Sarada Vilas College of Commerce and JSS Women's College in Saraswathipuram recently. More than 200 students participated.

The Chairman of the Mysuru Chapter of ICAI M. Ashok Kumar and R. Ravi, College Coordinator, addressed the students about the Cost and Management Accountants (CMA) course.

Dr. PVS Jagan Mohan Rao, President-South Asian Federation of Accounts (SAFA-An Apex Body of SAARC), was the guest of honour.

SAFA is an Apex Body of SAARC, where the Institute of Cost and Management Accountants and the Institute of Chartered Accountants of South Asia, are Members.

Dr. Jagan Mohan Rao elaborated on the scope and opportunities of doing CMA course and its future prospects.

In the changing global business economic development, CMAs play a vital role either in practise or in employment, he said.

SAFA President also interacted with B.S. Parthasarathy (President) and Dr. Sathyanarayana (Dean) of Sarada Vilas College and Dr. K.V. Suresha, Principal of JSS College for Women.

Really...?

- ***Soft forms of rice cakes have been popular in Japan for hundreds of years. The rice cake called mochi was a sweet confection eaten by the nobility during the Nara Period from 710-794 A.D. when the Chinese greatly influenced Japanese culture.***
- ***The first rice cakes were developed in Southeast Asia where rice has been grown for nearly 5,000 years.***
- ***November 29 is National Rice Cake Day.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

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VOICE OF THE READER

A fitting eulogy to *Khichdi* and *Pongal*

Sir,

I thank *SOM* for the fitting eulogy (tribute) to *Khichdi* followed by salted *Pongal*, apart from sweet *Pongal* **(Conquest by Khichdi** in *Star of Mysore* dated Dec.23) which incidentally coincided with the present Tamil Month of *Maargazhi (Maargasiramaasa* in Kannada) known for such delectable early morning dish preparation of *Pongal* with a dash of whole pepper, salt and ghee, intended for *Naivedhyam* to the Lord in Srivaishnava temples all over South India and given to the devotees.

The *Khichdi* will not lag behind with its varied tastes as stated, in our country and such types of cornucopia of palate pleasing dishes abound for the connoisseurs of food globally and that *chitranna* along with *K&P* will definitely fly all over the globe in the foreseeable future as stated therein may stir the memories of senior citizens who tasted *pongal prasadam* in the precincts of temples of yesteryears.

—B. Aravinda Prasad,
Retired Scientist
CFTRI Layout
25.12.2019

Wildlife calendar released

Wildlife calendar, featuring photographs captured by Wildlife Photographer Lokesh Mosale *(centre)* ***and brought out by Gravity One Institute, was released at Pathrakarthara Bhavan in city yesterday by Retired Professor M. Krishnegowda, Photo-journalist Nethraraju, Gravity One CEO Arun Srinivas and Director Dhananjay.***

'Walk Within' rural journey ends with a milestone achievement

Mysuru, Jan. 1- City dwellers often have a romantic idea of rural India. Fresh air, open spaces and green fields construct their perception about how the rural Bharat where majority of country's population reside.

The participants of *Walk Within-2019* opined that this perception changed drastically as they walked through 44 villages and a total of 160 kms. Each village helped them see the real rural Bharat with its own set of good and bad. *Walk Within* was a first step for urban dwellers to engage with rural Bharat and gain first-hand experience of their challenges and opportunities. It also helped the participants challenge their own limits physically and mentally.

The carefully planned walk began every day with yoga and meditation, followed by a session by Dr. R. Balasubramaiam, Founder, SVYM and GRAAM, transact walk through the villages to talk and engage with the community and understand about their life and priorities, ending with a session to reflect on the day. Lunch at Government Schools, a dip in river Kabini and visit to temples were the added highlights of walking for almost 15 kms every day.

On Dec.26, the participants also witnessed a celestial show of Annular Solar Eclipse guided by Praveen, a Science enthusiast and Deputy CEO, SVYM.

During the walk each day the team observed and discussed about urbanisation and its effects in villages and perspectives of villagers; water and sanitation, unemployment, livelihood creation, agriculture, health and education, alcoholism, poverty etc.

The team observed that there were many facilities from the Government which were either not utilised or underutilised especially open defecation despite toilets in villages; public healthcare centres without doctors etc. Many villagers expressed that these days villages are becoming centres for senior citizens due to migration of youth in search of labour as they are not taking up agriculture for livelihood.

Dr. Balasubramaniam shared that *Walk Within* is a journey that will help everyone to gain an insight on what contribution can be made by each individual towards nation's development. Around 70 participants from across India from an age group of 17 to 64 years completed the 8-day walk with enthusiasm, gaining a new dimension to life.

Donations raised through *Walk Within* will support Chiguru Ashrama of Mysuru, a shelter for mentally challenged women and SVYM's Palliative Care Centre, a 16-bed institute to support people with Cancer, HIV, cardiac conditions and other illnesses.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Postponed

The Zilla Panchayat (ZP) Progress Review Meeting, chaired by District Minister V. Somanna, which was scheduled to be held at 10 am on Dec.30 at the ZP Hall, has been postponed to Jan.3, due to unavoidable circumstances.

Senior Citizens Forum Meeting

The monthly meeting of Senior Citizens Forum, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, will be held at Nandi Circle premises, Kanakadasa Nagar, on Jan.4 at 5.30 pm, according to a press release from Forum Secretary R.M. Chetty.

Training programme

Under the auspices of Social Welfare Department, District CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI) has organised a 10-day free food processing training programme in three categories for candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) community under its National SC-ST Hub Scheme. Those interested may contact Ph: 0821-2514310, according to a press release.

Nidhi Aapke Nikat

Nidhi Aapke Nikat, replacing Bhavishyanidhi Adalat, will be held at the Sub-Regional Office, EPF Organisation, Bhavishyanidhi Bhavan, 2nd Stage, Gayathripuram, on Jan.10 in the following time slots for different stakeholders of EPF Organisation: Subscribers: 10.30 am to 1 pm; Trade Unions and Employers Association: 10.30 am to 1 pm; Employers and Exempted Establishments: 3 pm to 4 pm, according to a press release.

SC scholarship: Last date extended

Social Welfare Department has extended the last date for submitting online applications for scholarship by SC students through ssp.postmatric.karnataka.gov.in, to Jan.15. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2520910, according to a press release.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

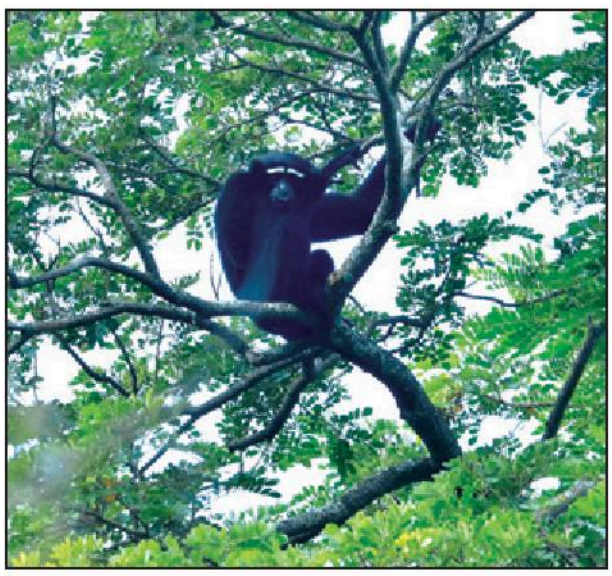
Today	121.64 ft
Yesterday	121.64 ft
Inflow	1,388 cusecs
Outflow	1,208 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,276.88 ft
Inflow	308 cusecs
Outflow	50 cusecs

Hoolock Gibbons welcome Zoo visitors this New Year



Mysuru, Jan.1 (MTY&DM)- On New Year Day today, Forest Minister C.C.Patil inaugurated the public display of a pair of Hoolock Gibbons at Mysuru Zoo. These animals were brought from Assam Zoo as part of animal exchange programme.

Speaking on the occasion, Patil said that Hoolock Gibbons, which is an endangered species, has been brought to Mysuru Zoo in order to entertain visitors.

Pointing out that Mysuru Zoo is one of the leading Zoos in the world, he said that Zoo lovers will get a chance to see this rare and endangered species.

MLA S.A. Ramdas, CCF T. Hiralal, Zoo Authority of Karnataka Member-Secretary B.P. Ravi, Mysuru Zoo Executive Director Ajit M. Kulkarni, DCFs Dr. Prashanth Kumar and Alexander and other officials were present.

Temple run

Earlier in the morning, the Minister, continuing his temple run, visited Chamundeshwari temple atop Chamundi Hill and offered special prayers to the deity.

On Tuesday, the last day of the year 2019, Patil visited Himavad Gopalaswamy Hill in Gundlupet taluk and offered prayers to the deity. He was accorded a 'Poorna Kumbha' welcome by the Temple Chief Priest Gopalakrishna Bhat. Later, Patil went to Bandipur National Park, where he inspected 'Fire Line' works. Taking note of the huge destruction of forest caused by forest fires in February last, the Minister directed the officials to ensure that such fires do not recur for whatever reason.

From Bandipur, Patil visited Basaveshwara temple at Hangala in Gundlupet taluk and offered prayers to the deity. Later, interacting with the villagers, the Minister said that he would speak to the authorities on erection of Railway track fencing to prevent wild elephant menace in the village, especially during summer.

Gundlupet Tahsildar Nanjundaiah, Bandipur Tiger Project Director T. Balachandra, ACF M.S. Ravikumar, Gopalaswamy Hill Range Forest Officer N.P. Navin Kumar, BJP leaders Pranay, Rajappa and others were present.

On Monday evening, Patil arrived at M.M.Hills from Bengaluru by road and performed special puja at MM Hill temple. The Minister was honoured by the temple priests. DCF Yedukondalu and other officials were present.

City guzzles Rs. 8 crore worth liquor in 2 days

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Batches of 20

At the True Spirits liquor outlet in city, there was heavy rush for liquor since early yesterday morning. "Crowds were unmanageable and we decided to allow batches of 20 customers at a time," said Dilip Nachappa who owns True Spirits. But the crowd was decent and was not unruly at any given point of time.

Crosses last year's figures

Compared to last year's figures, additional cases of liquor have been sold in the month of December on an average. Taking into account of sales in the entire month of December 2019, bars and liquor outlets have recorded a sale of 2,80,512 cases of liquor and 1,12,548 cases of beer.

The State Excise Department also has recorded a steep increase in liquor revenue and is expecting to meet its ambitious revenue target of Rs. 20,950 crore for 2019-20. The revenue generated in the month of December alone, as of 30th of the month, is Rs. 1,700 crore, which is highest for the year, according to Excise Minister H. Nagesh.

Meeting the target

The Minister was also hopeful of achieving revenue target of Rs. 20,950 crore in the next three months. As far as beer sale is concerned, he said that in the year 2019, the Department has sold 27 lakh cases as against 26 lakh cases last year during the same period.

Data released by the Department has revealed that it has broken last year's record of Rs. 481 crore from Dec. 21 to 31. As on Dec. 30, the Department collected Rs. 516 crore and is expected to make Rs. 70 crore on the last day of the year.

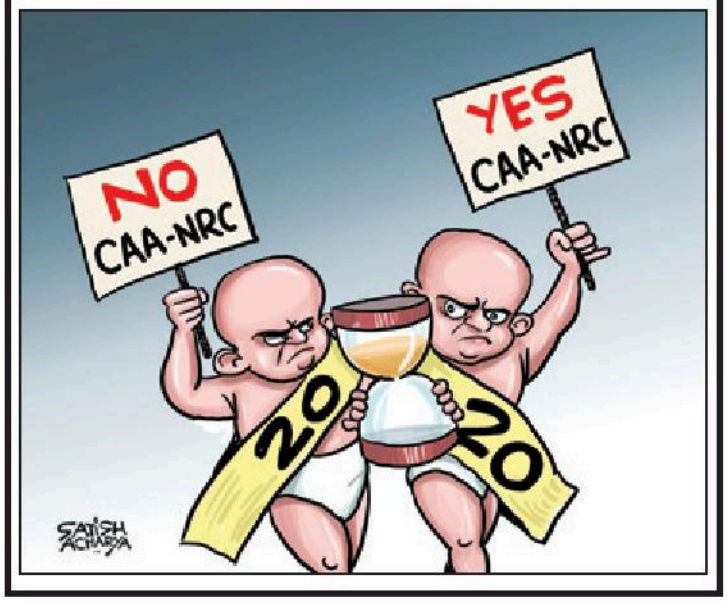
The last ten days of the year brings in higher revenue due to Christmas and New Year holidays, but revenues have seen significant increase this year. Interestingly, data reveals that sale of IMFL has surpassed beer.

Laddu prasadam for devotees

Thousands of devotees queued up at Yoga Narasimhaswamy Temple in Vijayanagar this morning. The temple had made arrangement to distribute 2 lakh laddus to devotees on the occasion of New Year. Picture shows Prof. Bhashyam Swamiji distributing laddu prasadam [Report on Page 1]

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya



Green Buds investors decide to meet CM

Mysuru, Jan.1 (MTY&DM)- With no signs of getting their invested money back, agents and investors of Green Buds Agro company have decided to take a delegation to Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa. They met at the park near the DC's office and resolved to meet the CM and urge him to take immediate measures for getting the invested money back from the defaulter Green Buds Agro company.

Addressing the gathering, Green Buds Agro Ltd. Investors Welfare Committee State President G.V. Lakshmidevi accused Green Buds company of cheating thousands of investors to the tune of crores of rupees.

Pointing out that following directions from the State Government, the investors filed applications along with supporting documents at the Assistant Commissioner's office.

Subsequently, 1,80,863 applications were filed and after declassification as late received and incorrect documents, most of the applications have been sent for audit, she said.

Alleging that the Government is delaying the public auction of Green Buds properties, she expressed concern that influential persons and politicians may bid for less when the properties come up for auction.

Urging the Government to keep with it all the attached properties of Green Buds, Lakshmidevi announced that the delegation will press the Chief Minister to take immediate measures for crediting the money directly to the accounts of the investors.

Over 80 members including the Committee office-bearers A. Nagaraj Baradanapura and G.P. Manjunath Ballari were present.

ASHA workers to stage indefinite stir from Jan.3

Mysuru, Jan.1- Seeking fulfilment of their various demands, ASHA health workers, under the banner of AIUTUC-affiliated Karnataka Rajya Samyukta ASHA Karyakarteyara Sangha, will stage an indefinite stir from Jan.3 at Freedom Park in Bengaluru.

Marking the State-wide stir, over 35,000 ASHA workers, including 1,500 from Mysuru district, will strike work and join the stir at Bengaluru.

The demands include aggregation of incentives paid by the Central and State Governments, a monthly honorarium of Rs.12,000, de-linking of incentives being paid through ASHA SOFT portal / RCH Portal, establishment of an ASHA Welfare fund, Rs.50,000 Gratuity to all those who have completed 10 years of service, pension to ASHA workers and appointment of ASHA facilitators, among others.

During the stir, the ASHA workers will present a 11-point charter of demands to the Government while also reminding of the promises it had made earlier, according to a press release.

For details, contact Mob: 94801-82131 or 72049-38538.

KSRTC bus pass renewal for physically challenged

Mysuru, Jan. 1 (US)- Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC), Chamarajanagar Division, will renew the bus passes of physically challenged people from 10 am to 4 pm from Jan. 16 to 18 at Nanjangud new bus stand; on Jan. 20 and 21 at T. Narasipur bus stand.

The bus pass valid till Dec. 31 will be considered valid till Feb. 29. The pass holders should renew their passes personally on the said dates by producing relevant documents and a fee of Rs. 660.

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Superintending Engineer

Niranthara Ranga Utsava concludes

Mysuru, Jan.1 (SPN&US)- "A suitable platform is needed for the youth to showcase their talent," opined H. Chennappa, Assistant Director, Department of Kannada and Culture. He was presiding over the valedictory of the three-day Niranthara Ranga Utsava which concluded last evening at the Mini Theatre in Kalamandira premises here.

Chennapa said that Niranthara Foundation has been providing good encouragement for youngsters interested in theatre and commended the Foundation in helping to evolve good artistes. He contended that the political system can disintegrate the society which can be integrated by the cultural world.

He lauded the achievements of Music Director Poornachandra Tejaswi, 'Drama Juniors' Director T. Sharanaiah and 'Weekend With Ramesh' Director J. Anil Kumar, who were trained at Niranthara Foundation.

He opined that every person has some talent or the other but it should be identified, nurtured and promoted to evolve an artiste.

Niranthara Foundation Director M.M. Suguna bemoaned that faith and trust are declining in today's society. He said that the cultural sector should strive to reverse the trend which is also a tough proposition.

A theatre songs prog. titled 'Modale Nenedevu' directed by Srinivas Bhat (Cheeni) was presented by Niranthara Foundation.

Rajyotsava awardees feted

Rajyotsava awardees** — (sitting from left) **theatre artiste Dr. H.K. Ramanath, former Kuvempu University Vice-Chancellor Dr. Chidananda Gowda, former CAVA Dean V.A. Deshpande and Yoga Expert H. Khushi — who were felicitated by Aniketana Seva Trust at Pathrakarthara Bhavan yesterday as part of Kuvempu's birth anniversary celebrations, are seen with former Principal of St. Philomena's College Prof. M. Krishnegowda, former Dy. Mayor M.J. Ravi Kumar, Corporator K.V. Sridhar, Professor K.P. Ganesh, Trust President K.V. Mallesh, Mysore Tarpaulins Proprietor Veerabhadra and former Mayors Modamani and Pushpalatha Chikkanna.

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In this week's Pet Talk, Maneka gives tips on how to keep a rescued bird warm at night?

Pet Talk

Maneka Gandhi

My cat is using the area outside of the litter box. This has never happened before. Why is it happening and what should I do?

These common litter box problems could be repelling your cat: An unclean litter box. Too few litter boxes for the cats in the household. A cramped litter box. A litter box with a hood or liner. A litter box with sides that are high. Too much litter in the box. An uncomfortable location that doesn't allow for privacy and multiple escape routes. A change in the kind of litter you use.

Negative associations. Your cat may have been upset while using the box. She may also connect the box with painful elimination, even if her health is back to normal.

Stressors, like moving, adding new animals or family members to the household. A conflict with another cat in the household. A new preference for eliminating on certain surfaces or textures — like carpet, potting soil, or bedding.

Common medical conditions, which may affect litter box use, include: Urinary Tract Infection (UTI). If your cat frequently enters her litter box but produces small amounts of urine, she may have a UTI.

Feline Idiopathic Cystitis (FIC). FIC is a complex disease that causes inflammation of the bladder. It can cause a cat to eliminate outside the litter box because of the urgency to urinate.

Bladder stones or blockage. If your cat has bladder stones, or a blockage, she may frequently enter her litter box. She may also experience pain and mew or cry when she tries to eliminate. Her abdomen may be tender to the touch.

If your veterinarian has ruled out a health problem, you can make a few changes to see if you can steer your cat back to the litter box: Scoop and change your cat's litter at least once a day. Thoroughly rinse out the box with baking soda, or unscented soap, once a week. Use less litter. Cats like a shallow bed of litter — not more than two inches deep. Use a larger litter box. Use clumping, unscented litter of a medium to fine texture, or the litter she used as a kitten. You could try putting a few clean boxes side by side, each with a different type of litter, to see which one your cat prefers.

I rescued a bird. How do I keep my rescued bird warm at night?

Move the cage away from doors and windows. Birds, that are positioned near doors and windows, are at risk of being exposed to icy drafts. Move your pet to an interior location to prevent the chills.

Consider covering the cage at night. Using a cage cover, after the sun goes down, can work wonders for helping to maintain a comfortable temperature within your bird's environment.

Try temporary insulation. Seal off windows and unused doorways with a shrink wrap insulation kit. It will not only help keep cold air out, it will keep the warm air in.

Use caution when heating. Wood burning fireplaces, as well as both kerosene and electric space heaters, can pose a threat to your pet's health. The smoke and fumes from the wood and gas can wreak havoc on a bird's respiratory system, and many electric heaters contain non-stick coating, which is notorious for causing birds acute illness and death. Smoking has the same effect.

Monitor closely for signs of exposure. A chilled bird is a bird with a lowered immune system.

My older pet is exhibiting changes in behaviour. What's going on?

Before any medical signs become apparent, behavioural changes can serve as important indicators that something is changing in an older pet, which may be due to medical or other reasons. As the owner of your pet, you serve a critical role in detecting early signs of disease, because you interact and care for your pet on a daily basis and are familiar with your pet's behaviour and routines. If your pet is showing any change in behaviour, or other warning signs of disease, contact your veterinarian and provide him with a list of the changes you have observed in your pet. Sometimes the changes may seem contradictory — such as an older pet that has symptoms of hearing loss but also seems more sensitive to strange sounds.

Possible behaviour changes in older pets: Increased reaction to sounds. Increased vocalisation. Confusion. Disorientation. Decreased interaction with humans. Increased irritability. Decreased response to commands. Increased aggressive/ protective behaviour. Increased anxiety. House soiling. Decreased self-hygiene/ grooming. Repetitive activity. Increased wandering. Change in sleep cycles.

What should I think about when deciding to travel with my pet?

There are numerous considerations you should take into account: Make sure your pet is comfortable with travel. Some pets cannot handle travel because of illness, injury, age or temperament. If your pet is not good with travel, you should consider a reliable pet-sitter, or talk to your veterinarian about boarding facilities in your area. Make sure your pet has identification tags with up-to-date information.

Having your pet implanted with a microchip can improve your chances of getting your pet back if it becomes lost. The microchip must be registered with your current contact information, including a cell phone number.

If you are taking your pet across State or international borders, a health certificate, as well as other documentation, may be required. The health certificate must be signed by an accredited veterinarian after examining your pet and determining that it is free of infectious diseases and satisfies all import requirements of the receiving State, territory, or country.

Make sure that your pet is allowed where you are staying. Some accommodations will allow pets and some will not, so check in advance. Also, when travelling, you should bring a portable kennel with you if you have to leave your pet unattended.

Staying with Friends or Family: Inform your host that your pet will be coming along, and make sure that your pet is a welcomed guest as well.

Staying in a Hotel or Motel: Stay at a pet friendly place. Some hotels and motels only accept small pets, or pets under a certain weight. When making a reservation, make sure you inquire about the terms of their pet policy. Try to minimise the amount of time your pet will be alone in the room. When leaving your pet alone in the room, inform the front desk that your pet is being left alone in the room and place a "Do Not Disturb" sign on the door. Make sure the hotel/ motel knows how they can contact you if there are any problems.

My rabbits are 8 weeks old so at what age should I limit rabbit's pellet intake?

The recommended daily serving of pellets for rabbits by weight: • 1-4 lbs = 1/8 cup daily; • 4-8 lbs = 1/4-1/3 cup daily; • 8-10 lbs = 1/3-1/2 cup daily; • 10 lbs+ = 3/4 cup daily.

The thing to remember is that pellets are intended essentially as a supplement to a healthy rabbit's base diet of hay and green vegetables, to give them nutrients not easily obtained from those other sources. Hay should always be the chief component of your rabbit's daily provender.

Someone has poisoned the stray animals in our residential area. What should I do?

This comes under Section 428 and 429 of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) and is a punishable offence. Gather photographic evidence and witness statements, and register a complaint in your local Police Station under the aforementioned IPC. Also, get the post-mortem of the dead-bodies done in order to make your case strong. In your FIR, specifically mention the names of the persons who were involved in the killing/ poisoning, along with date, time, description of bodies, etc. Thereafter, it is the responsibility of the police to conduct investigation.

If the animal is alive, first take the animal to the closest vet and get him/ her treated. And contact the nearest animal shelters to ensure the animal is taken care of.

To join the animal welfare movement contact
gandhim@*nic.in*
www.peopleforanimalsindia.org

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SEND YOUR QUESTIONS

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Revellers Welcome New Year amidst tight Police security

A Policeman arguing with a youth who desperately wanted to fill fuel to his bike at the 24x7 petrol station at Metropole Circle. As chaos prevailed, the Police wanted the petrol station staff to close down the bunk. Meanwhile, an ambulance came there at 2 am and the Police allowed it to fill fuel. *[More photos of New Year Eve parties on Page 8 & 9]*

Mysuru, Jan. 1 (BCT)- Revellers turned up in large numbers in the Central Business District of Mysuru and other leisure hotspots in the city to welcome the New Year and the new decade. The celebrations were marked by DJ nights and music-and-dance-themed parties organised at different hotels and restaurants. Sparkling fireworks adorned the skies as the clock struck 12, marking a new beginning.

The atmosphere was charged as people chanted 'Happy New Year' and 'Welcome 2020'. Some broke into song and dance as midnight approached. Many posed for selfies while other burst crackers to welcome the New Year. The Police had left nothing to chance as tight vigil was in place in several parts of the city even before the revelry began.

Besides heavy Police deployment, CCTV cameras and drones were deployed, especially in the Central Business District to keep a close watch on revellers and to prevent untoward incidents. The Police had taken extra measures to ensure safety of women and children, and had also deployed women Police personnel.

Thousands of revellers let their hair down at theme-based parties organised at reputed hotels like the "Club Blu" organised at Hotel Radisson Blu Plaza on M.G. Road. Likewise, parties were held at Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel and Rio Meridian where "Masquerade Night NYE 2020" was the theme.

Many hotels had tied wrist bands around the hands of the guests and patrons to prevent gate-crashers and unauthorised entry. People wearing the bands were asked to retain their wrist bands till they left the hotel premises.

People danced to jiving music at Quorum Hotel and Young Island Resort where "Celebration by the River" was organised. Lobo's Courtyard had organised "Life is a Beach – 3" theme party that entertained the guests. Likewise, High Park had organised "Welcome 2020", Hotel Adeline had "Masquerade Ball" as the theme and parties were organised at Hotel President, Kumar's The White House Hotel, Embassy and Royal Inn where guests and patrons enjoyed the evening around cozy bonfire.

Interestingly, with several pubs and hotels in their localities where New Year revellers partied late into the night, residents of that area were wary of drunk drivers and miscreants and preferred staying indoors. They preferred going for house parties and stay indoors for the night to avoid any kind of trouble.

"House parties are more economical, and given the fact that there has been an increasing number of instances where the Police have taken action against bars and pubs, I prefer going to a house party to avoid any hassle," said Shashikanth, a resident of Vijayanagar First Stage.

Lathi-wielding Police dispersing the revellers from K.R. Circle.

Chaos at 24x7 petrol bunk at 2 am

Mysuru, Jan. 1 (LNY&BCT)- As the clock struck 12, the Police switched off the lights at Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple premises to prevent people from revelry and cutting of cakes on the road. Still people cut the cakes inside their vehicles.

As there was no scope for celebrations at Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, the crowd moved to K.R. Circle and D. Devaraja Urs Road where there were people who danced to loud-music that was played from their cars and SUVs. Youths came in many open jeeps and were seen wishing and waving at the crowd in a celebratory mood.

Though the lights were switched off at Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Circle (Hardinge Circle) after 12 am and at K.R. Circle at 1 am, motorists continued to pour in, shouting on top of their voice. While most of them were youths on two-wheelers, children had climbed on the top of their vehicle roof to greet the flowing crowd. The Police had a tough time in convincing the revellers to head back home.

Lathi-wielding Police were requesting the crowd to end the parties and urging them not to go on long drives that might result in accidents. The crowd, however, cleared the streets only after 2.30 am.

Shortage of petrol

After 1.30 am, many revellers on vehicles had to face severe shortage of petrol and they rushed to the 24-hour petrol station at Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Circle (Metropole Circle). The crowd was unmanageable there and the station witnessed long queues. Some people went directly to the bunk to get their bottles filled with petrol instead of waiting in a queue.

The Police arrived here at 2 am and asked the petrol station to close for the night. This was objected by the crowd and youths got into verbal spat with the Police who were adamant in closing the petrol bunk. The Police even threatened to wield lathis to control the crowd and prevent a law and order situation.

Several youths were pleading before the Police to allow them to fill their vehicles with fuel as they had to head for outstation destinations and long drives. The Police, on their part, threatened the petrol station staff that they will be forced to book cases against them if they don't close down.

As the arguments were in progress, an ambulance arrived there with an empty fuel tank. The Police allowed the ambulance to fill the fuel while the crowd was waiting for their turn.

Partying All Night...

Party-goers welcoming the New Year-2020 under colourful canopies at Lobo's Courtyard last night amidst Live DJ, Bonfire, Barbecue, Fireworks and Pyrotechnics.

The celebrants at Hotel Rio Meridian which had the theme Masquerade Night NYE-2020 comprising DJ and Divine Music Band apart from Kids Entertainment.

New Year revellers dancing to foot-tapping music by DJ Freddy and DJ Avisha at Radisson Blu Plaza.

Fun and frolicking at the heritage Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel.

Ringing in New Year at Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club.

Revellers Hit Streets

As the Cops switched off the lights at Sri Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple premises at the stroke of midnight to keep away the revellers, the crowd moved to K.R. Circle in their respective vehicles, playing loud-music. *[See report on Page 7]*

Cultural events mark Annual Day

MYSORE WEST LIONS SEVANIKETAN SCHOOL: The Annual Day of the School was held recently in the presence of Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, Vice-Chancellor, University of Mysore, as the chief guest. School Magazine 'Seva' was released on the occasion.

Club President Ln. Dr. Mahesh Rao, School President Ln. Jacob Thomas Paul, Secretary Ln. Satish Rao, Treasurer Ln. Ali Vagh, Principal N.V. Sivakumar, Administrator Thrinesh and Vice-Principal Shobha Periera were present during the celebrations. Students presented a colourful cultural programme on the occasion.

TINY TOTS PRESCHOOL, VIDYARANYAPURAM: H. Satyaprasad, Principal of Vijaya Vittala PU College, Saraswathipuram, inaugurated the 3rd Annual Day of Tiny Tots Preschool at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road in city recently.

S. Swarupa, Principal and Managing Director of the School, read the annual report. Winners of rhymes recitation, storytelling, fancy dress, sports day events were felicitated on the occasion. Pradeep, Managing Trustee of the School, M.R. Vijayasimha, Lecturer in Commerce, Medha, Lecturer in Chemistry, Shashidhar, Professor of English, were also present.

The programme was followed by cultural events presented by toddlers — dance to semi-classical songs and Bharatanatyam, shloka and rhymes recitation and fashion show.

JSS PUBLIC SCHOOL, J.P. NAGAR: Annual Day was celebrated with enthusiasm and zeal at JSS Public School in J.P. Nagar. The theme for the Annual Day was 'Nisargothsava.'

B.R. Poornima, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Mysuru, was the chief guest. K.P. Pradyumna, former Chief Manager, State Bank of Mysore and Skill Development Trainer, Mysuru, S.P. Manjunath, Secretary-1, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Mysuru, were present.

The programme commenced with invocation song by the School choir. The School Captain R. Sughosh of IX std. welcomed the chief guest and the other dignitaries on the dais.

School Principal S. Shobana presented the Annual Report of the School and highlighted the school's progress in academics and co-curricular arenas. CCA Co-ordinator Latha Subbanna read out the CCA Report of the year 2019- 20.

Prize distribution ceremony was held to felicitate and recognise the talents of students in various competitions in both scholastic and co-scholastic areas.

School Vice-Captain R. Sunidhi proposed a vote of thanks.

MOUNT LITERA ZEE SCHOOL (MLZS): The chief guest of MLZS 7th Annual Day — 'Litera Contradance' - A blend of Indian Folklore — was Justice N. Santhosh Hegde. MLZS Founder-Chairman Dr. Joseph Thomas, Principal Dr. Preethy Vincent, Secretary P. Nagaraja and Vice-Principal Geetha J. Raman were present. MLZS annual newsletter 'Litera Mag 3' was released by the chief guest. This was followed by cultural extravaganza in which students showcased Karnataka's folk dances *Dollu Kunita* and Kamsale along with folk dances of other States.

DAV SCHOOL: The 17th Annual Day 'Shishirotsava' was celebrated at NIE auditorium in which the students from 1st std. to 10th std. showcased their talents and enthralled the gathering.

Krishnaraja MLA S.A. Ramdas was the chief guest. Mysuru Zilla Panchayat Chief Executive Officer K. Jyothi was the guest of honour. On this occasion, Anantha Kumar, Director, Divyadeepa Charitable Trust, Mysuru, was felicitated by the School Management.

Number of cultural programmes and the dance-drama 'Shivathandava' enacted by the students were appreciated by all the parents. Students performed different Karnataka dance forms like *Kamsale*, *Dollu Kunita*, *Puja Kunita*, *Huli Vesha*, *Mohiniyattam* and Kodava dance.

Chairman N. Sachidananda Murthy, Hon. Secretary R. Anand, School CEO Jayashree S. Murthy, Principal K.R. Shobha and Vice-Principal M.S. Mangala were present and thousands of parents witnessed the programme.

District-level State Government Employees Sports Meet in city on Jan. 3, 4

Mysuru, Jan. 1 (RKB&SD)- The District-level Annual Sports Meet (2019-20) of State Government employees will be held at various venues in city on Jan.3 and 4.

Disclosing this at a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan in city on Monday, State Government Employees Association State President H.K. Ramu said that the Sports Meet, organised jointly by the District Administration, Zilla Panchayat, Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports (DYES) and the district branch of the State Government Employees Association, will be held at Chamundi Vihar Stadium, Mysore University Grounds, Manasagangothri Indoor Stadium and Mysore Tennis Club grounds in Chamarajapuram.

He further said that District in-Charge Minister V. Somanna will inaugurate the event at Chamundi Vihar Stadium on Jan.3 at 10 am and the valedictory function will be held on Jan.4 at 4 pm.

The Sports Meet will feature Hockey, Wrestling, Kabaddi, Volleyball, Basketball, Athletics, Tennikoit, Weight-lifting, Power-lifting, Best Physique, Chess, Throwball, Swimming, Carrom, Football, Badminton, Table Tennis, Tennis and Cricket.

Cultural Contests

Also, cultural contests such as Hindustani Music, Light Classical Music, Karnatak Classical Music, Folk Songs (individual and group), Bharatanatyam, Kathak, Manipuri, Kuchipudi, Odissi and other classical and folk dances, Instrumental music like string instrumental music, Hindustani (Classical and Light Music), Wind instruments (Karnatak Classical and Light Classical Music), Handicrafts Expo and Skits have also been organised, Ramu added.

Pointing out that the Government employees from all taluks, who are willing to participate in the events, must register their names at Chamundi Vihar Stadium before 8.30 am on Jan.3, he said that all participants should compulsorily participate in the march-past to be held during the inaugural ceremony at 10 am.

Those winners securing first and second places in individual category and first prize winner in group events will be eligible to participate in the State-level Sports Meet, Ramu said.

Shines in Stick Fighting

N. Rakshitha

Mysuru, Jan. 1- N. Rakshitha, a student of Seshadripuram Independent Pre-University College, Mysuru, bagged 1st place in the 5th State-level Stick Fighting Tournament 2019 organized by the Karnataka Sports Silambam Association, at Smt. Leela Sri H. Chennaiah Kalyana Mantapa, Mysuru, on Dec.22.

Winners of District-level Girls Volleyball Competition

Sadvidya High School, N.S. Road, won the District-level Girls Volleyball Competition 2019-20 conducted by Vanitha Sadana Shishu Sahithya Sanga in association with Inner Wheel Rotary Jayanagar recently. The winning team — *(standing from left)* ***C. Keerthana, Hithashree, P.M. Monal, Jeevitha, Impana, P. Abhigna and D. Aishwarya;*** *(kneeling from left)* ***L. Yamuna, M. Sinchana and M. Pooja — are seen with*** *(sitting from left)* ***Head Master H.N. Subbarao, Secretary Prof. M.S.K Narahari Babu, President Prof. V.K. Gopalachar, Joint Secretary Prof. K.S. Hiriyanna, Physical Education Director N.D. Jagannath.***

Maria Sharapova ready to return

to best ahead of Brisbane International

Moscow, Jan. 1- Her troublesome right shoulder may never be 100 percent, but former World No.1 Maria Sharapova is convinced she can bounce back to her best ahead of her latest tennis comeback. The 32-year-old has been frustrated by the ongoing shoulder complaint that has plagued her since serving a doping ban, limiting her to just eight events and 15 matches in 2019.

But the five-time grand slam champion said retirement had never been on her radar as she prepared to launch her 2020 campaign in Queensland after accepting a wildcard for next month's Brisbane International.

"To be fair when I was younger I never saw myself playing past 30," Sharapova said. "But I still feel there is a lot in me to give. I still have a lot of fire in me and I am big competitor. As long as the shoulder stays healthy and my body allows me to, I hope there is a lot of time left for me."

The Russian's world ranking has plummeted to No.133 due to her injury woes. And she faces arguably the ultimate fitness test at the Brisbane International starting on Jan.6. It features a stacked field including Australia's World No.1 Ashleigh Barty, reigning Australian Open Champion Naomi Osaka, defending Brisbane International Champ Karolina Pliskova and Venus Williams. However, Sharapova, who won her last Grand Slam in 2014, said she was up for the challenge.

Students have fun at Sports Day celebrations

Rotary Midtown Academy, Hootagalli: International Para Athlete Ramya P. Shanmugham inaugurated the Sports Day of Rotary Midtown Academy at Oval Ground recently by lighting the Sports Torch. Rtn. Assistant Governor. Raghavendra was the guest of honour. Chairman Rtn. Alagappan and Secretary Rtn. P.K. Ramakrishna graced the occasion. Various games were organised on the occasion. Parents and students participated in large numbers.

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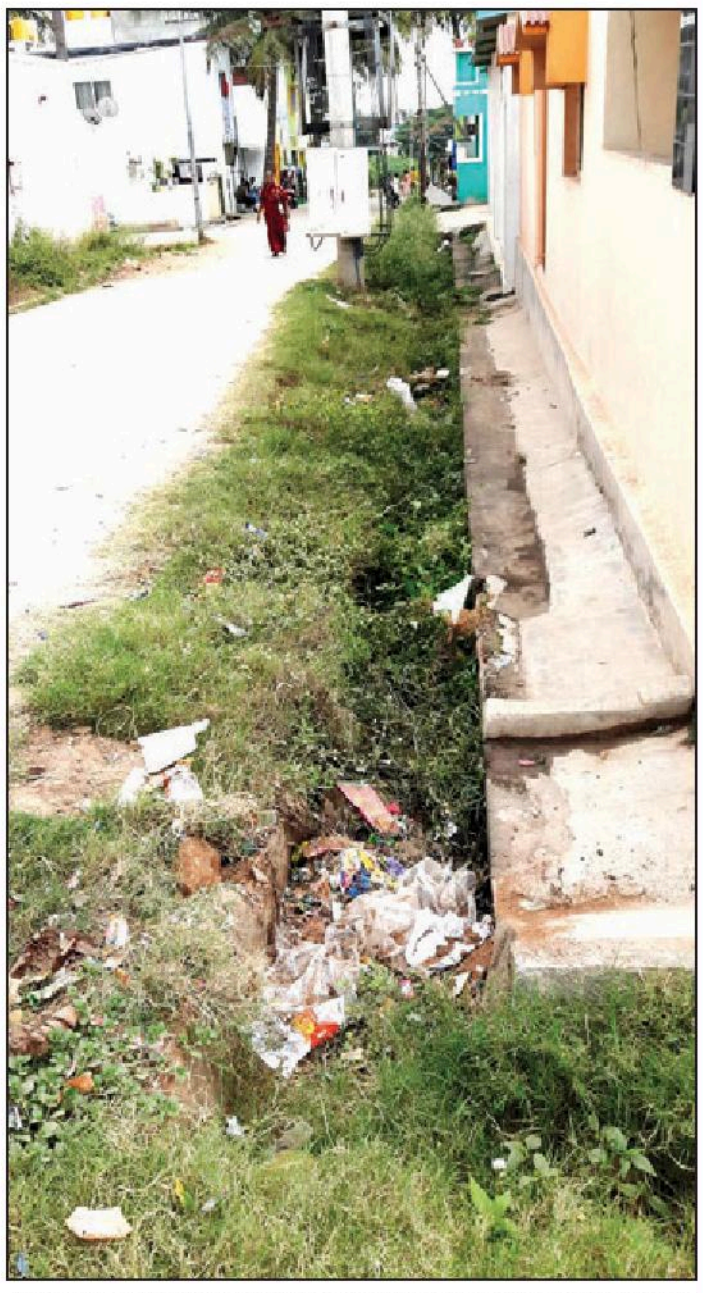
Open manhole posing danger at Rajivnagar

An open manhole, opposite B.K. Nursing Home in Rajivnagar, is posing danger to the public. Residents say that due to accumulation of garbage in the manhole, sewage water overflows from it and flows down the road causing a lot of inconvenience to the public besides causing health hazards. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to get the manhole repaired at the earliest.

Plea to clean blocked drain at Kalyangirinagar



A box drain in Kalyangirinagar 4th Cross is filled with weeds and garbage which is hindering the flow of sewage water. This has resulted in water getting stagnant in the drain and foul smell emanating from it besides increase in mosquitoes in the surroundings. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to get the drain cleaned at the earliest.

CIIL to bring out dictionary of Tribal languages soon

UoM Vice-chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar lighting the lamp during the inauguration of the three-day national workshop on 'A multi-disciplinary view of local languages, culture and society' at Vijnana Bhavan in Manasagangothri in city on Monday as others look on.

Mysuru, Jan. 1 (PM&DM)- Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL) Director Prof. D.G. Rao said that a dictionary along with grammar of tribal languages such as Siddhi, Hakki Pikki and Soliga, which are on the brink of extinction, will be brought out soon.

He was speaking after inaugurating the three-day national workshop on 'A multi-disciplinary view of local languages, culture and society,' organised jointly by the Department of Computer Science of University of Mysore (UoM), Department of Studies in. Linguistics, Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS), All India Researchers Association (AIRA) and CIIL, at Vijnana Bhavan in Manasagangothri here on Monday.

Pointing out that the CIIL is currently conducting studies on more than 70 languages, he said that the digitisation of tribal languages is underway.

Prof. Rao said that the UGC has set up study centres regarding all languages that are on the brink of extinction. But still, the digitisation is not going on in the right direction, he regretted.

Emphasising that Departments such as Anthropology, Computer Science, Sociology and Linguistics need to work together for language studies, he opined that a perfect co-ordination between all Stakeholder Departments was key for getting the desired results.

Citing an example, he said that such a workshop was hosted by Hyderabad University last year, when lack of co-ordination between Departments came to light, Prof. Rao quoted a UNESCO report and said that 197 languages spoken in India were on the brink of extinction.

Maintaining that the extinction of a language also means the end of a culture, heritage and tradition, he expressed concern that the growing influence of English, apart from spelling doom for less spoken languages, is also posing severe threat to official languages as well.

UoM Vice-chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, in his address, said that it was not the task of only one Department to save languages that are on the verge of extinction.

Stressing on the need for digitising all tribal languages and bringing them to the fore, he observed that in this backdrop, workshops such as this one play a crucial role.

CIIL faculty Prof. Umarani Pappuswamy, UoM Computer Science Department Head Prof. Suresh, AIRA Mysuru Unit President Dr. Kushal Baragur and others were present.

Mayor inaugurates District-level 'Yuvajanotsava' in city

Mysuru, Jan.1 (PM&SD)- 'Yuvajanotsava,' the District-level Youth Festival (2019-20), organised by the District Administration, in association with Zilla Panchayat (ZP), Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports (DYES), Federation of District Youth Associations, Nehru Yuva Kendra and Maharani's Arts College for Women, began at the College auditorium in city this morning.

Youth aged between 15 and 29 years, including school and college students, members registered in various Youth Associations and Rajiv Gandhi Youth Association are taking part in the day-long cultural event.

Speaking after inaugurating the programme, Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath conveyed New Year wishes and urged the participants to make use of such opportunity to excel and showcase their mettle.

Nine categories of music and dance contests including Classical Dance (Bharatanatyam, Odissi, Manipuri, Kuchipudi, Kathak), Classical Music (Sitar, Flute, Tabla, Veena, Mridanga), Harmonium, Guitar, Karnatak and Hindustani Vocal Music, Pick-and-Speak (English or Hindi), One-Act Play (English or Hindi/ for 12-member team), Folk Song (for 10-member team) and Folk Dance (for 12-member team) contests are being held at the venue.

Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath drumming during the inauguration of the District-level 'Yuvajanotsava' at Maharani's Arts College for Women in city this morning as others look on.

Winners in the above contests are eligible to participate in the State-level Competitions to be held at Shivamogga from Jan. 3 and Jan. 4 and there by the State-level winners will be participating in National-level Contests to be held in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, on Jan. 12 to Jan. 16.

Member of the Standing Committee for Health and Education (ZP) Chandrika Suresh, ZP CEO K. Jyothi, City Police Commissioner K.T. Balakrishna, Maharani's Arts College for Women Principal Dr. B.T. Vijay, Nehru Yuva Kendra District Co-ordinator S. Siddaramappa, DYES Asst. Director K. Suresh and others were present during the inaugural ceremony.

Train fares revised from today

Mysuru, Jan.1- In a new year shock, the Railways has marginally hiked railway fares over Non-Suburban sections with effect from today (Jan.1).

However, there will be no fare hike for passengers over suburban sections and season ticket holders. For passengers travelling in Ordinary Non AC Classes, there shall be marginal increase of 1paise/ PKM (Passenger Kilometre).

The increase in fare will be on tickets bought on or after Jan.1, 2020 and no excess fare (difference of fare) will be charged from passengers who have booked tickets before Jan.1, 2020. The last fare revision was done in 2014-15.

The fare revision, effect from Jan.1, 2020 is as below:

1. Ordinary Non-AC Class- Fare increase of 1 paisa/ pkm
2. Mail/Express Non-AC Class - Fare increase by 2 paisa/ pkm
3. AC Classes - Fare increase by 4 paise/ pkm
4. Suburban fare and season tickets - No increase.

The revised fare table is as below:

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New fare with effect from 01.01.2020 compared with old fare

		ORDY			II ME			II SF		
		OLD	NEW	VAR	OLD	NEW	VAR	OLD	NEW	VAR
Mysuru	Nanjangud	10	10	0	30	30	0	45	45	0
Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	15	20	5	40	40	0	55	55	0
Mysuru	Pandavapura	10	10	0	30	30	0	45	45	0
Mysuru	Mandya	15	15	0	30	30	0	45	45	0
Mysuru	Kengeri	30	30	0	60	60	0	75	75	0
Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	30	35	5	60	65	5	75	80	5
Mysuru	Yelahanka	35	35	0	65	70	5	80	85	5
Mysuru	Chennai	90	95	5	150	160	10	165	175	10
Mysuru	Mailaduturai	110	120	10	195	205	10	210	220	10
Mysuru	Tuticorin	125	135	10	215	230	15	230	245	15
Mysuru	Jaipur	275	300	25	460	510	50	475	525	50
Mysuru	Ajmer	265	285	20	440	485	45	455	500	45
Mysuru	Hazrat Nizamuddin	285	315	30	475	530	55	490	545	55
Mysuru	Davangere	65	65	0	110	115	5	125	130	5
Mysuru	Hubballi	85	90	5	145	155	10	160	170	10
Mysuru	Dharwar	90	95	5	150	160	10	165	175	10
Mysuru	Shivamogga Town	55	60	5	90	105	15	105	120	15
Mysuru	Bhadravati	50	55	5	90	95	5	105	110	5
Mysuru	Bellary	85	90	5	145	155	10	160	170	10
Mysuru	Hospete	95	100	5	160	175	15	175	190	15
Mysuru	Kalburgi	115	120	5	195	210	15	210	225	15
Mysuru	Kacheguda	125	130	5	210	225	15	225	240	15
Mysuru	Mangaluru	70	75	5	120	130	10	135	145	10
Mysuru	Hassan	30	30	0	55	60	5	70	75	5

CHANGE OF NAME

I **Shafiulla**, S/o Anwar Pasha, residing at #184/2, 13th Cross, 'C' Block, Sulthan Road, Ghousiyanagar, Mysore-570019. I have changed my name from **Shafiulla Anwar Pasha to Shafiulla** vide affidavit Dt. 31.12.2019 sworn in before Notary Asadulla Khan, Mysore

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WORD OF THE DAY

Kowtow

Pronunciation: KOW-tow.
Meaning: To show obsequious deference : fawn; to kneel and touch the forehead to the ground in token of homage, deep respect.
Origin: Kowtow originated as a noun referring to the act of kneeling and touching one's head to the ground as a salute or act of worship to a revered authority. In traditional China this ritual was performed by commoners making requests to the local magistrate, by the emperor to the shrine of Confucius, or by foreign representatives appearing before the emperor to establish trade relations. (In the late 18th century, some Western nations resisted performing the ritual, which acknowledged the Chinese emperor as the "son of heaven.") The word kowtow derives from Chinese koutou, formed by combining the verb kou ("to knock") with the noun tou ("head").
Example: "[Cyndi] Lauper wanted a hit record. She wanted one badly after PolyGram dropped her first band Blue Angel following a failed debut in 1980. But she wouldn't kowtow to music execs in pursuit of that hit." — Jed Gottlieb.

THE ODD WORD

Kainotophobia

Fear of change.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

As keen as mustard

Meaning: Very enthusiastic.
Origin: There are many similes in English that have the form 'as x as y'. 'As keen as mustard' is typical and, although rather archaic, is worth a closer look - if only to dispel a myth about its origin. The Olde England of folk-memory conjures up pictures of ale-quaffing yeomen tucking into sides of roast beef. That may be fanciful, but the long-standing enthusiasm for the Sunday roast was real, as reflected in the words of Richard Leveridge's 1735 song Roast beef of old England:

When mighty Roast Beef
Was the Englishman's food,
It ennobled our brains
And enriched our blood...

Mustard was an essential accompaniment to beef. It became associated with vigour and enthusiasm because it added zest and flavour. By the early 20th century, the association was so strong that the word was used like this: 1925 E. Wallace, in King by Night: "That fellow is mustard."
People and things weren't just like mustard, they were mustard. The phrase 'hot stuff' comes from the same notion. Mustard's hot and zesty reputation wasn't limited to food. It was also considered a cure for colds and fevers. Here's part of the instructions for the use of a mustard plaster poultice, which was a 19th century remedy for 'chest congestion', used then by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

QUOTE BOX

Almost anything is edible with a dab of French mustard on it. **—Nigel Slater**

RIDDLE THIS

What is so delicate that saying its name breaks it?

Answer: Silence.

SUDOKU

		2			6			3
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Answer to previous puzzle

7	3	8	1	5	9	2	6	4
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5	1	2	6	4	7	8	3	9
1	5	7	4	6	8	3	9	2
6	8	4	2	9	3	1	7	5
3	2	9	7	1	5	4	8	6
2	6	5	8	3	1	9	4	7
8	9	1	5	7	4	6	2	3
4	7	3	9	2	6	5	1	8

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Bend in a pipe
4 Bundle of hay
8 All points addressable, abbr.
11 French king
12 Leaves out
14 A large fish or cash on delivery?
15 Ovum
16 Bay window
17 Of last month, in short, in correspondence
18 Mammal of the rabbit family
20 A very small amount
22 Counter-tenor
24 German opera composer
26 ___ through : ooze out ?
27 Power
28 ___ story: a tear-jerker, perhaps?
29 Besiege or attack?
30 R. E. Lee's side
33 Locked up
34 Grieve or mourn
35 __ Hunte: West Indies opening batsman in Sobers's team?
37 Short for 'this month'
38 Now CIS
39 Priestly vestments?
41 Amb. attendant
42 Use a rubber
45 Thurman of Pulp Fiction
48 Do or ___ : persist regardless of danger?
49 Ben ___ : the highest peak in the British Isles?
50 Quite a ___ : in a large number, in a way
51 Yoko ___ : wife of John Lennon, the Beatle?
52 As ___ as an owl ?
53 Time To Stn.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

D	O	M			C	N	S		T	S	A	R
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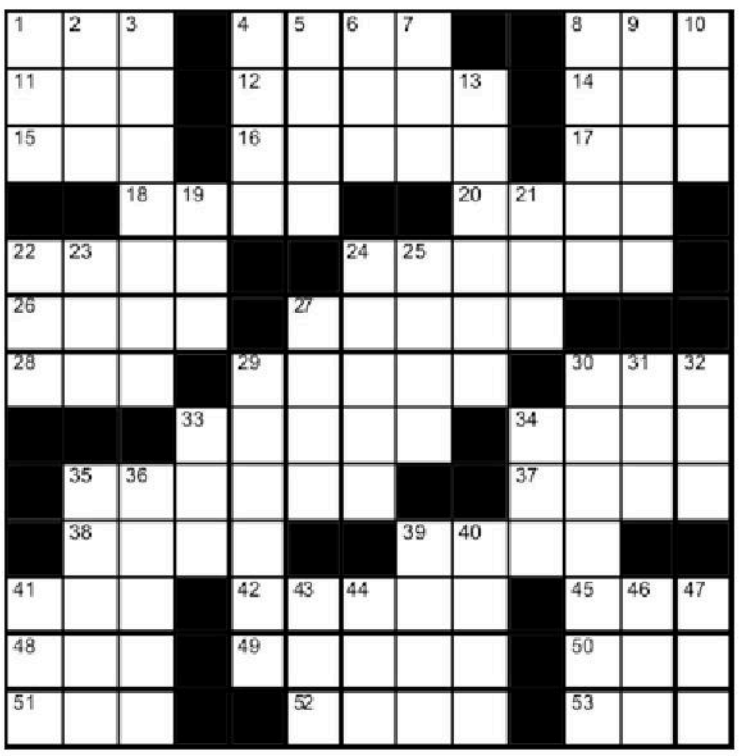
T	A	R	A		E	S	S			N	O	N

DOWN

1 Before - "ree" anagram ?
2 Ship's record
3 Kindled or set fire to, in a way
4 Crude person
5 Ex-India batsman Pravin ___
6 52 in Roman numerals
7 Estimated Time En route
8 Keen and penetrating
9 Type of bear
10 Air Data Tester
13 Aspersion
19 Assoc. of Optical Practitioners
21 Ontario, in short
22 Donkey
23 Milieu for a ewe
24 ____ up to : came to know about?
25 Elderly or old
27 One million: 'pref.'
29 Uninteresting or unsuggestive, in a way
30 Seek advice from
31 European airline
32 Small industrious insect
33 Cashew Nut Shell, abbr.
34 Men in Black, abbr.
35 Aromatic plant eg. fennel
36 Bone prefix
39 __ __ where is : sales condition? (2,2)
40 ___ majesty : treason toward the king or country ?
41 Tokyo's former name
43 VCR button
44 Avinash's pet name?
46 Bon ____
47 Air Traffic Serv.



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

BJ BK HXKQ JY CH JYGHOXIJ YU JRH VOBIABVGHK YU

YJRHO VHYVGH BU QYW RXNH IYIH YU QYWO YMI.

TODAY'S CLUE: V EQUALS P

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: It hurts to find out that what you wanted doesn't match what you dreamed it would be.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Avane Srimannarayana	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	2 Shows
Kiss	Sangam	2520494	2 Shows
Dabangg - 3	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Odeya	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Bramhachari	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
Baddi Magan Lifu	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Mane Maratakkide	Skyline	2481170	2 Shows
Sarvajanikarige Suvarnavakasha	Skyline	2481170	2 Shows
HINDI			
Dabangg - 3	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Good Newwz	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Ruler	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
Prati Roju Pandaage	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
----	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
----	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows

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Avane Srimannarayana (K)	(S-1)	8am,11.30am,3pm,6.30pm
	(S-4)	9.50 am, 9.55 pm
Good Newwz (H)	(S-1)	10 pm
	(S-3)	11.25 am
	(S-4)	1.40 pm, 4.30 pm, 7.15 pm
Spies in Disguise (E-3D)	(S-2)	9 am
	(S-3)	4.30 pm
Jumanji 2 : The Next Level (E-3D)	(S-2)	11.05 am
Sarvajanikarige Suvarnavakasha (K)	(S-2)	1.35 pm
Prati Roju Pandaage (Te)	(S-2)	4.00 pm
Dabangg 3 (H)	(S-2)	6.50 pm
Thrissur Pooram (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Baddi Magan Lifu (K)	(S-3)	2.00 pm
Odeya (K)	(S-3)	6.50 pm

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Avane Srimannarayana (K)	(S-1)	12 noon, 3.40 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-2)	8.30 am, 2.20 pm, 6.05 pm
	(S-3)	9.40 am
	(S-4)	8.10 am, 9.20 pm
Good Newwz (H)	(S-1)	9.15 am
	(S-3)	1.15 pm, 4.40 pm, 7.05 pm
	(S-4)	9.55 pm
Odeya (K)	(S-4)	12.05 pm
Dabangg 3 (H)	(S-4)	3.25 pm
	(S-2)	9.50 pm
Spies in Disguise (E)	(S-2)	12.05 pm
Jumanji 2 : The Next Level (E-3D)	(S-1)	7.15 pm
Baddi Magan Lifu (K)	(S-4)	6.35 pm

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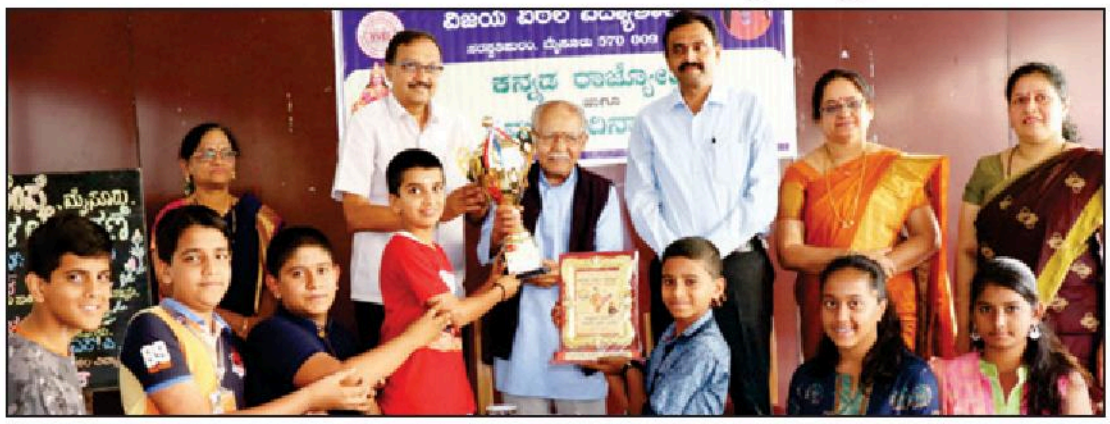
Good Newwz (H)	9.05 am, 10 am, 1 pm, 3.25 pm
	4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm
Spies In Disguise (E-3D)	10.40 am, 7.15 pm
Avane Srimannarayana (K)	10.45 am, 2.30 pm, 6.15 pm
	9.35 pm, 10 pm
Odeya (K)	12.05 pm
Jumanji: The Next Level (E-3D)	1.05 pm
Dabangg 3 (H)	3.55 pm, 9.40 pm
Prati Roju Pandaage (Te)	6.25 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

Winners of State-level Singing Contest



The students of Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala (VVVS), Saraswathipuram — Prakhyath M. Bharadwaj, N. Skanda, Shubhan Gowli, Ramanath Kini, S. Vinayaka, C. Manogna, K.P. Sreevalli, L. Keerthi and D.R. Aditya Bhat (tabla) — won first prize in the State-level Patriotic Singing Competition conducted by Bharat Vikas Parishad at Mandya in November last and have got selected for Regional-level to be held at Chennai. The winning team is seen with Hon. Secretary R. Vasudev Bhat, Dr. H.K. Ramanath, Principal S.P. Asha, Head Mistress N. Vasudha, VVPUC Principal H. Sathyaprasad and Music Teacher M. Sujala Gore.

Excel in Inter-Collegiate Competition

*The prize winners — (standing from left) **M.N. Abhishek, M.B. Udaya Ravi, S. Karthik, Ruthvik C. Raj, A. Meghana, M.K. Pranav, S. Pavana Nandana and K. Sriram — are seen with** (sitting from left) **Sanskrit Lecturer Vid. Ragavendra Bhat, Kannada Lecturer S. Kiran Kumar, Principal T.S. Srikanta Sharma, Vice-Principal Padma Ravi and English Lecturer D.B. Latha.***

Mysuru, Jan. 1- The students of Jnanodaya PU College, Saraswathipuram, bagged several prizes at the District-level Inter-Collegiate Competitions organised by the Department of PU Education, Mysuru, in association with the Karnataka Students Welfare Association. Following is the list of the prize winners:

M.B. Udaya Ravi (II PU) - First prize in English Debate; Ruthvik C. Raj (II PU) - 1st in Bhavageete and 1st in Janapadageete; M.N. Abhishek (II PU) - 2nd in Kannada Debate; S. Pavana Nandana (II PU) - 2nd in Kannada Essay; S. Karthik and K. Sriram (I PU) - 2nd in Quiz Competition; M.K. Pranav and M.B. Udaya Ravi (II PU) - 2nd in Quiz Competition; A. Meghana (I PU) - 2nd in Drawing.

In the events organised by SBRR Mahajana PU College, Rathvik C. Raj bagged first prize in Bhavageete Competition and third place at SDM PU College, Udaya Ravi bagged third prize in English Debate.

Winners in Divisional-level: Also, Ruthvik C. Raj (first prize in Bhavageete and second prize in Janapadageete); S. Karthik and K. Sriram (first in Quiz Competition) have won prizes in the Divisional-level Cultural Competition organised by the Department of Pre-University (PU) Education at Chikkamagaluru.

EVENTS TODAY (JAN.1)

Sri Yoganarasimhaswamy Temple, Vijayanagar 1st Stage: Distribution of two lakh laddus by Prof. Bhashyam Swamiji as part of New Year celebrations, Temple premises, **up to 12 midnight.**

Mysore Palace Board: Annual Flower Show, Palace premises, **up to 8.30 pm;** Cultural Programme - Performance by Police Band, **6 pm to 7 pm;** 'Nritya Vaibhava' by 110-member team of Sri Raghuleela Sangeetha Mandira led by Sunitha Chandrakumar, **7 pm to 9 pm;** Fireworks Display, **9 pm to 9.30 pm.**

Music Concert: Programme titled 'Dhanyasi,' a favourite raga of Nada Brahma Vid. Mysore M. Mahadevappa, father and guru of Violin Brothers, Mysore M. Nagaraj and Dr. Mysore M. Manjunath, Vid. Mysore Nagaraj and Dr. Manjunath will perform accompanied by Vid. Shrimushnam Raja Rao on mridanga and Vid. Giridhar Udupa on ghata, Sri Datta Vijayananda Theertha Swamiji of Avadhoota Datta Peetha graces the occasion, Navajyothi Auditorium, JSS Women's College, Saraswathipuram, **5.30 pm.**

Sree Andal Mandiram Trust, Temple Road, V.V. Mohalla and Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha (Rural), Mysuru: Month-long Dhanurmasa Puja, Discourse on Tiruppavai by Vid. Ramanuja Sharma, Trust premises, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, KR Vanam: Discourse on 'Tiruppavai Kalakshepa' by Dr. N.K. Ramaseshan, Sri Ramamandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple, Tyagaraja Road: Tirupavai Discourse by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Sanskrit Lecturer, Sharada Vidya Mandira, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JAN. 2)

Mysore Palace Board: Annual Flower Show, Palace premises, **10 am to 8.30 pm;** Cultural Programme - 'Harsha Dhwani,' a musical evening programme by Sriharsha of *SaReGaMaPa* fame and teams of *SaReGaMaPa* and *Kannada Kogile* reality shows, **7 pm to 9 pm;** Fireworks Display, **9 pm to 9.30 pm.**

Sri Vidyapeetha Institute of Culture - Jnanodaya PU College: College Annual Day celebrations 2019-20, MUDA Commissioner P.S. Kantharaj chief guest, Sri Sharada Peetam Administrator and CEO Dr. V.R. Gowrishankar presides, College premises, Sahukar Chennaiah Road, Saraswathipuram, **5.30 pm.**

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Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Mysuru: Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'Sri Durga Saptashati,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

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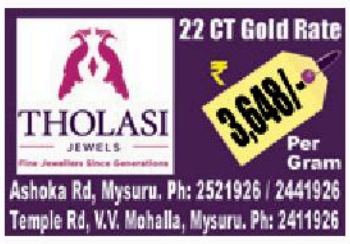

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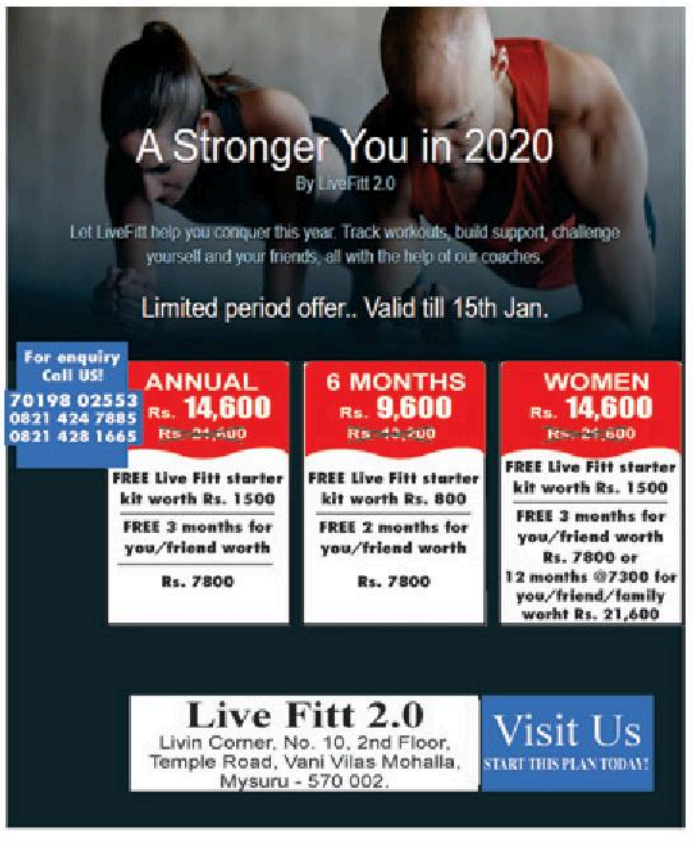
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